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AMENDEMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract at paragraph [00241] with the following amended Abstract:

The present invention discloses a A method for facilitating biometric security in a transponder-reader transaction system by proffering a biometric <u>sample</u>. The biometric <u>sample</u> may be proffered to a biometric sensor communicating with the transponder-reader system. Proffering the biometric <u>sample</u> initiates verification of the biometric sample and facilitates authorization of a transaction.